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REQUEST FOR STATUS OF PENDING APPLICATION

The Decision on Appeal mailed on August 20, 2004 reversed the Examiner's final rejection of claims 1-16 and 18-20. According to the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) database, no further communication has been issued for this case.

The undersigned attorney of record respectfully requests the Examiner to advise when is it anticipated that a Notice of Allowance will be issued.

Respectfully submitted,

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